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Tomo UENO

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A METHOD FOR FORMING A FILM

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Applicants respectfully request the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to return an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 filed March 31 2003 and April 22, 2003 with the IDS as acknowledgment of receipt and consideration thereof. A courtesy copy of that PTO-1449, IDS filed therewith, as well as a copy of applicants' representatives' postcard receipt evidencing receipt of these documents by the PTO, are enclosed.

Should there be any questions regarding this matter, the appropriate Patent and Trademark Office official is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of each of the references listed on Form PTO-1449 are attached.

Also enclosed is a copy of a Chinese Office Action, with translation, which issued March 7, 2003 in a corresponding Chinese patent application, and the U.S. PTO is directed thereto for a concise statement of possible relevance of the references cited herein.

JP '922 has already been cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed on March 31, 2003.

The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office may, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. See 37 C.F.R. 1.104(a) and 1.106(b) concerning the PTO duty to consider and use any such information. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that these references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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